



GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

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BEACH ADVISORY

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) announces that the Beach Water Quality Monitoring Program, which evaluates weekly water quality at popular swimming beaches throughout the Territory, advises the public of the following:

DPNR performed water quality analysis at the 33 designated beaches throughout the Territory during the week of September 28-October 2, 2015. The following beaches **meet water quality standards and are safe for swimming or fishing**:

St. Croix

Stoney Ground
Protestant Cay
Chenay Bay
Buccaneer
Cramer Park
Rainbow
Shoy's

New Fort (Ft. Louise
Augusta)
Halfpenny
Princess (Condo Row)
Columbus Landing
Dorsch
Frederiksted Public Beach

Sprat Hall

St. Thomas

Hull Bay
Sapphire
Vessup Bay
Magen's Bay
Secret Harbor
Bluebeards
Brewer's Bay
Lindbergh Bay
Frenchman's Bay
Bolong Bay

Lindquist
Coki Point

St. John

Cruz Bay
Oppenhiemer
Great Cruz Bay
Johnson Bay

The following beaches **do not meet water quality standards and therefore not considered to be safe for swimming or fishing:**

St. John

Frank Bay

St. Thomas

Water Bay

PLEASE NOTE: Grapetree Bay on St. Croix could not be sampled this week due to the heavy presence of seaweed along the shoreline.

DPNR will continue to monitor the impacted areas and waters. For additional information regarding water quality call the Division of Environmental Protection at 773-1082 in St. Croix.